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The S. S. MADURA, 1,942 Tons, 300 H.P., Commander J. R. Gavin, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 26th February 1876, at 4 P. M.

	Feb.		Mar.
Leaves BOMBAY	26	Leaves Tuticorin	5
„ Ratnagherry	27	„ Colombo	6
„ Vingorla	27	„ Galle	7
„ Goa	27	„ Negapatam	10
„ Carwar	28	„ Madras	13
„ Mangalore	29	„ Coconada	14
„ Cannanore	March 1	„ Visagapatam	15
„ Tellicherry	1	„ Bimlipatam	15
„ Calicut	2	„ Calingapatam	16
„ Beypore	2	„ Gopalpore	16
„ Cochin	3	„ False Point	17
„ Alleppey	3	Arrives CALCUTTA	19

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RCIAL INTELLIGENCE

URDAY EVENING, 19TH FEB. 1876.

rpool Cotton Market yesterday even- dull, Surats irregular, sales 8,000 prices showing a decline of 1 16d. Fair Dhollera, Fair Oomra, G. F. and Fair Cocanada; and to-day's ned and closed dull, Sura's very ,000 bales, prices being the same as

legrams say nothing regarding ivate messages we learn that fore, unsaleable at spects the future, ntertained. tinue on the

ands on the spot is given at 12¾ cents, ¾, April shipment is still quoted at r lb. The Receipts at the ports are

	1876	1875	1874
ipts	110,000	95,000	123,000
rts to U.K	59,000	63,000	84,000
Continent ..	58,000	25,000	34,000
since 1st Sep.	3,292,000	2 825,000	2,919 000
to U. K. ,,	1,165,000	1,158,000	1,054,000
Continent ,,	723,000	463,000	561,000
at the Ports	873,000	843,000	839 000

ble supply of Cotton for all Eu e 18th instant, compares with the ing date in the previous two years

	1876.	1875.	1874.
inds ...	2,940,000	2,895,230	2,921 650
ipts ...	440,000	641,340	695,020
U. K. alone the figures of supply are :-			
	1876	1875	1874
rpool... ...	845,000	773,170	682,200
on	67,875	131,300	194,190
at	250,000	297,000	301,000
do.	90,000	171,000	113,000
	1,252,875	1,372,470	1,290,390
Orleans.....	6d.	7d.	8½d.
Dhollers ...	4 5/16d.	5 3/16d.	5½d.
	2 5/16	2 11-16	3½

Goods Market in Manchester yes- dull, but prices were unchanged The London General Produce Mar- o unaltered.

-day were quoted at 94½; French 95¼; Bar Silver is still given at

EXCHANGE to-day opened with an , which became more marked in the day, especially after receipt of the rrency and at the close a decline of established in Bank Bills and 1/16d Credits and Documents. We quote

Bills, on demand	1s. 8¾d.	per Rupee.
Do. 6 months' sight	1s. 9d.	,,
Credits 3 ,,	1s. 9d.	,,
Documents 3 ,,	1s 9 1-16d.	,,

On Calcutta, the enquiry for demand paper has subsided and we now quote 1-16 prem ; 60 days' sight ⅛ per cent. discount quite nominal. GOVERNMENT PAPERS quiet and unchanged at yesterday's rates, say :—Fours, Rs. 101½; Fours- and-a-half, Rs. 102¼. Fives and a half, Rs 106

The SHARE MARKET continues extremely quiet with next to nothing doing. Bank of Bombay are unchanged at 401 per cent. premium. Asr Banks are again Re. 1 higher, closing at Rs. 96. Land Companies are dull and unaltered, a remark which applies also to Press property, quo tations for which are the same as yesterday with the one exception of Colabas which have advanced to Rs. 3,200. Spinning and Weaving concerns continue dull and we note a decline of Rs. 25 in Alliance, Rs. 5 in Bombay United, Rs. 5 in Hemp ings, and Rs. 5 per share in Manockjee Petits.

In COTTON there has again been a small business done to-day, notwithstanding a decided disposition on the part of buyers to accept a decline in rates. We are still, however, above the level of Liverpool even if sales were practicable there at nominal quotations, and ex porters therefore are only buying against pr fious sales when compelled to do so by the tim ment. In a few days February shipment

DAILY IMPORTS.—FEBRUARY 19.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Europa s—1,070 bundles sheet iron, Lockmanjee Ebramjee.
Vespasian s—10 bundles sheet iron, Damoder Pragjee ; 2,440 bundles hoop iron, Hyderally Cassonjee
Bellona s—1 cask brandy and 20 cas s claret, W. Madden and Co.
Pam s—6 packages hardware, Bhoy Meya Ebrahim ; 51 cases porter, Jemsetjee Nowrojee ; 13 casks hardware, Framjee A dareer Davur; 50 cases yellow metal sheets, Nursey Khuttow.

FROM LONDON.

City of Baltimore s—30 cases victoria blue, Tyebally Surrafally and Co ; 4 bales paper, Haje Joomus Hajee Isaac ; 4 p ckages hardware and 6 packages haberdashery, Edbhoy Tyebally.
Pam s—44 casks hardware, 25 kegs iron nails and 4 packages iron wire, Noorbhoy Chandabhoy ; 7 cases cast steel and 24 packages hardware, Abdool Cadur H butbhoy.
Earl King s—20 bales straw boards, S S Narrelwalla ; 91 packages medicine, Heerjee Mooljee ; 25 cases table salt, Peroshaw Pestonjee.
Bellona s—12 casks brasswire, 2 casks copper wire and 8 cases hardware, Noorbhoy Chandabhoy.

FROM TRIESTE.

Calipso s—1 case glass beads, Heptoolabhoy Abdolhoosen.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Nemesis, 450 cases brandy, Merwanjee and Co.

...R EXPORTS.—FEBRUARY 19.

LIVERPOOL.

...d Co.
...Nixon and Co ; 100 bales ... wool, Bunichund ... Nuthoo.
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SPECIAL TELEGRAMS FOR THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

SIR BARTLE FRERE.

LAHORE, 19TH FEB

Sir Bartle Frere and Canon Duckworth arrive to-day on their return journey from Peshawur.

A EUROPEAN MURDERED BY AFRIDIS.

It is stated that some Afridis attacked and killed a European who was travelling from Kohat to Peshawur.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE PRINCE IN NEPAUL.

BUNBUSSA, 20TH FEB.

As a supplement to the last message on the return visit Sir Jung Bahadur presented a letter from the Maharaja Dhiraj. Sir Jung welcomed the Prince and said what pleasure it gave his master and himself to see him in Nepaul. Everything in their power would be done to make the visit agreeable. He hoped the Prince would inform him of any wish he desired to be gratified. He had never forgotten the gracious reception accorded him by the Queen and Prince Consort on the occasion of his visit to England. He had intended to go there last year but an accident prevented him; he hoped, however, to go at some future time.

The Prince in reply thanked him for his expressions of goodwill, and for the services of the Nepaulese Government during the Mutiny. He had always felt a strong desire to visit Nepaul and was glad of the opportunity now afforded him.

Sir Jung Bahadur in return said that nothing in his career had given him greater satisfaction than when he was able to help the English Government during the Mutiny, and added that should any future necessity arise, which he trusted might never be for his help, he would feel it a duty to render it to the utmost of his resources.

*** The telegram referred to has not reached us.—ED. *B. G.*

SENTENCE ON THE BANGOON CONSPIRATORS.

RANGOON, 19TH FEB.

The trial of the conspirators is concluded, twenty-two have been convicted and six were acquitted. The leader Moung Bwah has been sentenced to twenty one years, eighteen of the other conspirators to ten years, and three others, the least guilty, to six months.

THE LOSS OF THE STRATHCLYDE.

LONDON, 19TH FEB.

Among the passengers saved from the sinking of the steamer Strathclyde are Captain and Mrs. Beckett, Mr. Patherdon and Mr. Quinlin. Captain Eaton, her commander, was also saved. The passengers supposed to have been lost are Mr. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. W. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Fogerty, Major and Mrs. Loughmann, Captain and Mrs. Green, Lieutenant and Mrs. Groves, Mrs. Tubb, Mrs. Stuart, Mrs Stockwell, Miss Forsyth, Miss Forsford, Miss Gilmore, Miss Bowring and Miss Young.

REGIMENTAL CHANGES.

Lieut. General Sir Charles Staveley, K.C.B., has been appointed Colonel of the 36th Foot *vice* Sir Arthur A. T. Cunynghame, K.C.B., who succeeds to the Colonelcy of the 60th Regiment.

LORD LYTTON'S MILITARY SECRETARY.

Colonel G. Pomeroy Colley, C.B., of Her Majesty's 2nd Foot, who is specially employed at Natal, has been appointed Military Secretary to Lord Lytton.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE PRINCE OF WALES.

On the return home of the Prince of Wales, the Serapis will call at Malta, Gibraltar and Lisbon. A splendid reception is being prepared at Lisbon and Malta for His Royal Highness.

GENERAL SCHENCK.

On account of the impending Emma Mine trial, General Schenck has resigned the post of American Minister in London.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY CO[illegible] REPORT.

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takes place, the Council will lose, and the Bench gain, the services of an able jurist.

GREAT men will have their little jokes occasionally. In the High Court, on Saturday, in the course of proceedings relating more or less remotely to the carriage of inflammable articles on railways, Mr. Justice Bayley remarked that in railway carriages he always carried lights as well as cigars with him. "Then," said the Advocate-General, in a tone of affected indignation, "I am extremely sorry to hear your Lordship confessing to being a deliberate breaker of the law."

ACCOUNTS which have reached our Allahabad contemporary from England, state that Cameron really deserves all the good that can be said of him. Though the whole of his papers have not yet been received in England, many of his maps have been sent home, and Mr. Keith Johnstone, to whom they have been entrusted for preparation, had expressed an opinion that he has never had a more carefully drawn up and detailed series of maps submitted to him, while the astronomical and other observations have given equal satisfaction to all the scientific men who have examined them.

THE Vienna correspondent of the *Standard* states that the Common Council in Moscow has resolved, for the second time, to send the sufferers through the disturbances in the Herzegovina 20,000 roubles. The first aid they sent was with the consent of the Emperor, but he has now refused to allow this second contribution. It is reported from a reliable source that the agents of General Ignatieff, the Russian Ambassador at Constantinople, are travelling through Bosnia and inciting the districts which have hitherto been peaceful to join the insurrection. In seven Servian towns, among them belgrade, committees have been formed, which openly agitate for the dethronement of Prince Milan.

A CONFERENCE of employers and workpeople in the cotton trade was held in the Manchester Town Hall at the end of last month, under the presidency of Mr. Richard Haworth, to consider what action should be taken to secure the removal of the duties on cotton manufactured goods and yarns imported into India. It was resolved to elect a permanent committee composed of employers and operatives from each town interested, to take such measures as may be deemed necessary for the accomplishment of the object specified. A committee was accordingly appointed, and a resolution was also adopted inviting the co-operation of members of Parliament representing the various constituencies in the manufacturing districts.

THE *Pioneer* :—The proposal that His Highness the Nawab of Bhawulpore should visit England, is now before the Government. The Punjab Government, it is alleged, are in favour of the scheme, and have forwarded the papers to the Government of India, recommending that the proposed trip should be sanctioned, should the Supreme Government agree to the proposal. The young Nawab, accompanied by the Bhawulpore Sahibzadas and possibly the young Nawab of Mundote, will start in April next for Europe in charge of Mr. J. Crompton Doran, and in all probability a political officer. According to the plan which has been submitted, arrangements are to be made for the education of the Nawab and the Sahibzadas as day-scholars at either Rugby or Cheltenham College, a residence being procured for them in the immediate neighbourhood. As Mr. Thornton, the Officiating Foreign Secretary, is in favour of the proposal, there is every prospect of it being sanctioned.

THE Annual Report of the Women's Workshop, Calcutta, shows that the Institution closed the year 1875 with a balance of Rs 2,839, but the subscriptions had declined to a sum insufficient to pay for the daily tiffin hitherto provided for the work-people. Heavy contracts for Hospital clothing were undertaken and carried out during the year; but as, in tendering for work of this kind, the Institution has to compete with native labour, the margin of profit is necessarily small. The sum paid in workwomen's wages during the year was Rs. 3,934, or Rs. 700 in excess of the previous year. The public demand for work has been good, and general satisfaction is said to have been expressed with the manner in which the work has been performed. There are a hundred and ten women on the rolls, and though the average earnings are small, there can be no doubt that the Workshop does a great deal of good, and is eminently deserving of support.

THE *Manchester* [illegible]'s London correspondent hears that the [illegible]cial Secretary has just made an important [illegible]ision affecting the relations of Canada [illegible] mother country. Among the measures [illegible] in the House of Commons of that colon[illegible]ession was one for creating a Supreme [illegible]for the Dominion. At a late stage of the bill a private member introduced, and the Government accepted, a clause which debarred appeal to the Privy Council in England. The effect of this legislation is obvious. Its adoption would sever one of the strongest links that bind the Dominion to the mother country, and in view of the Guibord incident and the growing antagonism of creeds, it is doubtful whether this step would not also deprive the Canadians of one of the surest instruments of justice. Lord Carnarvon has determined to advise her Majesty that the clause [illegible]stion must be repealed, and an intimation [illegible]ot either has been or will be sent to [illegible] Government.

[illegible]eason, says the *Indian Daily* [illegible] the Presidency Banks Bill [illegible]d in Select Committee, [illegible]t the next sitting of [illegible]not appear to have [illegible] caused much [illegible] connected [illegible]o them [illegible]f the [illegible], in [illegible] the [illegible]bt, [illegible]

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

NTH DAY, 19TH FEBRUARY.

he Hon. SIR CHARLES SARGENT.)

OT OF THE AHMEDABAD CONSPIRACY CASE.

his case was resumed before his Lordse Special Jury.

Narayen and nine other prisoners were several counts,—Doongersey Narayen false charges against a man named , and his partner Ismael Sett; with e evidence; and with intentionally givnce in judicial proceedings; and all the with abetting him in the commission of Ramnarayen Rampursad and Cooverjee he other prisoners, were also separately intentionally giving false evidence. All ppeared with the exception of three, who

and Mr. Inverarity were counsel for the Mr. Marriott represented the first prinranson and Mr. Lang appeared for the Mayhew and Mr. B. M. Wagle defend-

e more witnesses were examined, in cor- the case for the prosecution was not he Court does not sit to-day, an adjourn- ranted for the convenience of the mem- and the hearing of the case nesday).

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B Harrison		2	8 0
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H. MAXWELL, Honorary Secretary,
E. G. H. E. Fund.
th February 1876.

OMBAY PORT TRUST.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

PROGRESS REPORT No 1.

The Secretary of State having, by his despatch to the Viceroy, dated 18th February 1875, decided that the first dock, to be built by the Trustees, should be on the Elphinstone Estate, Tenders for the works were invited by public advertisement.

The advertisement for the Dredging Plant appeared on the 21st June 1875, and the tenders were opened by the Stores Committee, India Office, on 5th July 1875.

The Tender of Messrs. J. & G. Rennie, of London, for the Dredger was accepted on the 7th July 1875, and that firm is bound to have it ready for sea on the 7th April 1876.

The engines and machinery of the Dredger are in an advanced state, and the Hull was launched from the builders' yard at Greenwich on the 28th January 1876 It is named the Teredo.

The Dredger is a vessel 160 ft. in length between the perpendiculars, 29 ft. moulded breadth, and 10 ft. deep; tonnage about 638 tons O. M. It has compound surface condensing engines of 300 Indicated Horse Power, and is intended to dredge 500 tons per hour at any depth from between 6½ to 32 ft. under water, and be able to screw itself along at five miles per hour. The well is to be closed for the voyage, and the vessel temporarily rigged as a three-masted schooner, it is to proceed by steam and sail from London to Bombay, via the Suez Canal.

Messrs. Rennie's price is as follows, viz :—

Dredger, complete		£22,600
Spare Gear and Stores		1,400
Navigating		2,800
Total... ...		£26,800

The following instalments have been paid by the Secretary of State up to last postal advices, viz :—

1875, Sept. 17—Passed by Mr. Ormiston...		£4,800
„ Oct. 29 do. Mr. McConnochie...		4,800
„ Dec. 9 do. do.		4,800
		£14,400

I expect that a further instalment of £4,800 has been paid by this time.

It is possible the Dredger may be here before the S. W. Monsoon bursts, but it is a nip between the gales of the Vernal Equinox in the Bay of Biscay and the South West Monsoon in the Arabian Sea: there is, therefore, an uncertainty as to the date of arrival, as I should not like to trust her to a vessel at sea in heavy weather.

The tender of Messrs. John Elder & Co., of Glasgow, for three hopper barges was accepted on the 7th July 1875, and that firm is bound to have them ready for sea on the 7th April 1876.

The Barges by last reports are nearly completed, and I expect shortly to hear that they are launched with engines on board.

These barges are 145 ft. in length between the perpendiculars, 25 feet moulded breadth, and 12 ft. deep; tonnage about 438 tons O. M. They have compound surface condensing engines of 180 Indicated Horse Power, and are each intended to carry 9,240 cubic feet, which is equal to about 462 tons, of dredged material; they are to have single screws and are to steam at a speed of eight miles an hour; the hoppers are to be closed for the voyage to hold coal, and the vessels are to be temporarily rigged as three-masted schooners; they will proceed by steam and sail from Glasgow to Bombay, via the Suez Canal.

Messrs. Elder's price is as follows, viz :—

Hopper Barges	3 @	£8,734 =	£26,202
Spare Gear	3 @	30 =	90
Navigating	3 @	1,736 =	5,208
			£31,500

The following instalments have been paid by the Secretary of State up to last postal advices :—

1875, August 30—Passed by Mr. Ormiston.		£5,258-8-0
October 22 do. Mr. McConnochie...		5,258-8-0
		£10,516-16-0

I expect other instalments will be soon due, if indeed they are not paid by this time.

The remarks in para. 8 as to the navigation of the Dredger apply to the barges, except that these are much better sea boats; when the hoppers are open, they cannot be swamped.

Mr. McConnochie, C. E., is acting for me during my absence in inspecting the Dredging Plant, passing instalments, and otherwise. He has under his orders Mr. D. Nicolson, Mechanical Engineer, who is constantly occupied either at Blackfriars, Greenwich, or Glasgow, as occasion requires, inspecting the hulls and machinery.

A diving bell and pumps have been purchased from the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company at a cost of Rs. 3,489-11-0, including carriage to the Bunder. The air hose has been ordered from England through Mr. McConnochie; the bell will be fitted up on barge No. 42. It will operate at first in clearing away a lot of ballast from what is known as the "Raleigh Shoal," off the Dolphin Light, and afterwards in clearing away stones and rocks in the narrows of the Southern Channel.

The contract for the masonry was advertised in the English papers on the 11th May 1875, and in the Indian papers on the 10th June 1875. The tenders were lodged in Bombay on 19th August 1875, and were opened by the Trustees on the same day.

The tender of Messrs. Glover and Co. was accepted on the 4th November 1875. Should the Harbour Frontage wall for 1,000 ft. in length at the north end not be built, they bind themselves to complete the works by the 5th November 1878; but if it be ordered, then, by the 5th May 1879. This point and that of the exact line of entrances are still open.

The work is to be paid for on actual quantities at a Schedule of Prices; the estimated quantities at Messrs. Glover's rates for the slant entrance, exclusive of the 1,000 ft. of wall above referred to, make a total of Rs. 28,34,250-1-0; inclusive of the 1,000 ft. of wall, it is Rs. 32,36,557-7-0. For the square entrance and the whole of the Harbour Frontage wall it is Rs. 31,98,987-3-0.

Messrs. Glover & Co. commenced work on the 5th November 1875. Their first operation was to shut out the tide by forming an earthen dam across the entrance; the material for which was brought from the Trustees' quarry at Elephanta in the Trustees barges hired by the contractors. The sluice, which is 5 ft. square, was closed on the 9th January 1876. The dam appears now to be firm and the water can be kept down to about 7·700 which in 3ft. 4 in. under mean water level outside. The pitching of the slopes is not done yet.

The main dam was commenced on the 3rd January 1876; it is to be an earthen mound deposited in the Harbour to shut out the tide from the entrance works and walls of Harbour Frontage. Material for 200 ft. in length out of about 1,250 ft. has been tipped and the face is being puddled.

The timbering of trenches for the dock walls, called in the specification the "Minor Dams," was commenced on the 20th December 1875; but much progress could not be effected till the tide was excluded from the site of the dock; at present five minor dams each 100 ft. length, are in progress, and the excavation therein ...n on an average 9 ft., and in one it is 16 ft. deep. ...terial is carted to Mody Bay, and deposited ...yards completing that reclamation. The greater ... timber for these dams is fir and larch from ...bec, and is shipped at Venice in P. & O. steamers passing through the Suez Canal. About 1,200 tons have already arrived.

About 6,000 face stones and 2,000 brass of rubble are on the ground; also a quantity of Portland cement, Aden pumice, and lime.

The Mortar Mills are being fitted up.

Seven European Foremen, experienced in dock-works, are now employed on the works; also the following :—

Men	2,742	
Women	152	
Boys	50	
	2,944	
Barg... ...	15	
C... ...	232	
... ...	32	

...being supplied by Me... McConnochie intend... time to inspect half o... I have ordered the st... be of granite instead o...

The fou... ...ic honours, on the 11th ... the Prince of Wales. ...gineer.

Bombay, 2nd ...

EXCERPTS from ... of the Trustees of the ... the 17th instant.

Read letter from the ...servator, dated 1st February, forwarding an ap... from Messrs. W. & A. Graham & Co. on be... of the Anchor Line of Steamers for permission to lay down a mooring for the special use of the Anchor Line Steamers, or that the Trustees will lay down a mooring which the Anchor ...en always rent.

...e Deputy Conservator states that if permission is ...n to the Anchor Line to lay down a mooring, it ...uld only be on condition that it be always occupied ...their steamers.

Read minutes of Members of Harbour and Pilotage Committee on the subject.

RESOLUTION.—The Anchor Line and other regular Lines who may apply for them should be allowed to put down their own moorings at such berths as may be selected for them by the Master Attendant, on condition that the moorings be removed at any time on receiving from the Trustees a month's notice. And that if the moorings shall be unoccupied at any time for two weeks, then the Deputy Conservator may be at liberty to use them for any other vessels arriving in the harbour.

Read letter from the Deputy Conservator, dated 26th January, bringing to notice the impure state of the water in the tank at Kennery and suggesting that it be cleaned.

Read report thereon by the Chief Engineer, dated 7th February. He estimates the cost of emptying the tank at Rs. 1,000, and the cost of constructing a filter and pure water well at Rs. 500.

RESOLUTION.—The tank should be cleaned out and the filter made at the Chief Engineer's estimate of cost. The amount should be provided for out of the Budget allotment for contingencies.

Read Government Resolution No. 184, dated 11th February, suggesting that as Elephanta is not considered a suitable locality for a magazine in which to store merchants gunpowder, and as the Military Department cannot spare the Tank Bunder Magazine; the Trustees erect a magazine on some unfrequented part of their foreshore.

Read report by Land Committee recommending, because of the probability that a magazine would not yield a remunerative return on its cost, and because the Municipality have the power of licensing buildings elsewhere for the storage of ammunition; that the provision of any additional magazine accommodation that may be required, be left Government.

RESOLUTION.—The report of the Land Committee is approved.

FUND FOR THE RELIEF OF EUROPEAN AND EURASIAN POOR.

THE following is an abstract of the report of this Fund for the year 1875. The operations of the Fund are conducted entirely by the Pastor and some of the members of the Girgaum Mission Church. A portion of the donation given by H. R. H. the Prince of Wales for charitable purposes in Bombay was granted to this institution, which is one deserving of much support. As will be noticed, every effort is made to prevent the Fund being imposed upon.

This Fund was suggested on the 21st November 1871, and has now been in active operation for four years.

2. *Its aim* is to relieve deserving European and Eurasian poor, who, from sickness or want of employment, often need *temporary* help.

3. *Its mode of relief* is by tickets for bread, rice, and wood. Tea is occasionally given, and, in emergent cases, rent is paid; but *no money* is given, except under special circumstances. Where there is a fair prospect of employment elsewhere, railway fares are paid, a ticket being secured at the station.

4. Each case is *visited* before relieved, and every particular obtained, and a printed form filled up; one question is—"Any relief elsewhere?" This fact of visiting each case has protected the Fund from much imposition.

5. *Relief* given has been as under during the year 1875 :—

Bread	Loaves	4,209	
Rice	lbs.	2,852	
Wood	bundles	5,505	
Rents and money grants have amounted to ...	Rs.	261	1 0
Fares by railway and boat	„	350	5 0

6. Under the head of "Fares by Railway," &c., are the following particulars :—

Calcutta	4	Tanna	1
Poona	16	Lahore	2
Bhosawul	2	Dhoolia	1
Mogul Serai	1	Travancore	1
Mangalore	1	Allahabad	2
S. hore	1	Kurrachee	3
Madras	2	Egutpoora	1
Hyderabad, Deccan.	2	Cochin	1
Benares	1		

7. Many have adopted this Fund as a medium of relief, and have refused to give money to those who go from house to house. The Committee will attend to any case sent to them, and desire that it should be again stated that all through this Fund, or some such channel, relief were given, much waste and imposition would be avoided.

8. The Committee meet every Thursday morning from 7 to 9 o'clock, when all applicants are expected to attend, and consists of—

The Revd. T. K. Weatherhead,	Mr. J. Carpenter,
Captain G. W. Oldham,	„ H. King,
Major A. W. Shewell,	„ A. King,
Colonel J. W. White,	

Assisted by Mr. Kopke, the City Missionary, who affords invaluable information and assistance.

9. Arrangements have been made with the keeper of an eating-house, to supply two meals a day to those who, having no dwelling-place, would find a ticket to be of no use; this has been of great service. One of the members of Committee also procures and supplies the provisions, the bread contract being given to a baker a better quality of food is thus ensured, and the Contractor's profits are saved to the Fund.

10. During this year the Fund has been more thoroughly organized, and is in much better working order than in previous years.

11. The receipts of the Fund during the year amounted to Rs. 1,580-15-4 and the disbursements to Rs. 1,478-11-1.

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ART-GALLERY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SCHOOL OF ART AT CALCUTTA.

MINUTE BY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL, DATED 15TH FEBRUARY 1876.

IN my Minute of the 14th January last, regarding the general administration of Bengal, I had occasion to write the following remarks :—

"The School of Art at Calcutta for natives is now attracting some pupils, the attendance having much increased within the last two years. All the students are anxious to qualify themselves in drawing, many of them show a fair aptitude; and some of them evince considerable ability in painting, especially in portraiture. After leaving the school many find employment in lithography or engraving, and it is hoped that the demand for this kind of artistically skilled labour will increase.

"We are endeavouring to establish an art-gallery in connection with the institution, to be filled with copies of good pictures in Europe, the importance of such a gallery for the enlightenment of the native youth is manifest.

"There is a great want of even the most rudimentary training in art among the native youth generally. The art culture, once indigenous in the country, has for the most died out in the course of ages, and nothing new has been substituted. It were much to be desired that inexpensive pictures, engravings, and other illustrative works, should be largely introduced in the schools of all descriptions, so that the eyes of the young might become accustomed to the observation of what is beautiful in the form and the colour of all objects."

I have now to record what has been, and is being done for the enlargement of the School of Art, and for the establishment of an art-gallery in connection with the school.

In such a place as Calcutta the establishment of an art-gallery must be interesting from any and every point of view. But the interest is heightened when the gallery can be the means of daily instruction; will become a lecture-room for classes of native students; may impart additional vigour to an institution designed to elevate the taste, refine the skill, and enlighten the ideas of the native youth who are learning art as a means of livelihood; and may thus serve an important educational purpose.

Fortunately we have been able to secure the occupation of three buildings (at Boitakhana, in continuation of Bow Bazar) immediately adjacent to the School of Art, which buildings are being rapidly prepared by the Public Works Department for the reception of pictures. Some paintings have been presented to the institution by His Excellency the Viceroy; others have been purchased for the purpose by the Government of Bengal; many also have been promised to be lent for temporary exhibition in the gallery by native chiefs and gentlemen, among whom may be mentioned the Maharaja of Burdwan, the Raja Sotendro Mohun Tagore, the Raja Harendra Krishna, the Raja Satyanund Ghosaul, the zemindar of Paikpara and others; also copies are being made from private pictures now in Calcutta; one picture, 106, has been presented by Mr. Palmer. It is probable that other native gentlemen, owners of good pictures, may see fit to lend their works, either to be copied or to be exhibited for a time, until pictures shall arrive for permanent deposit in the gallery. We have ordered a few copies from works of old masters, by Signor Pompigmoli of Florence, which are expected to arrive shortly. We have purchased Colonel Hyde's collection of electrotypes from ancient Greek coins in the British Museum.

If original pictures of merit in Europe shall prove to be expensive beyond our means, we may hope to obtain comparatively inexpensive copies of such works which shall give to the native youth an idea of men and things in Europe, both as regards the present and the past.

Another object of the institution would be to set before the Native youth a vivid and comprehensive representation of all that is most instructive and attractive in the extraordinary varied features of India, chiefly as regards natural scenery, architectural remains, national costume, and ethnological features. For such a purpose signal advantages are available, and ought to be forthcoming.

It will not be difficult to collect plan drawings of great engineering works in all parts of the world. It would be hard to imagine anything better calculated to improve the minds of native youth than the sight of such a collection.

Some specimens of statutary, and especially castes of antique works, will, we hope, be obtained.

It is hoped that the gallery may be sufficiently ready by the middle of March to be opened for the classes and the students of the School of Art. His Excellency the Viceroy has consented to be present at the inauguration. The interest which the Viceroy has taken in projects of this description was evinced by his speech at the opening of the Art Exhibition at Calcutta in December 1874.

If any one shall be kindly disposed to render assistance by sending any work of art to the institution, the work will be taken charge of by the Principal of the School of Art, Mr. H. Locke.

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